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Case No. <u>10466/18</u>

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In re Application of:

Franklin Okumu

Serial No.:

09/839,684

Attention: Manager, Application Branch

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted dated <u>June 15, 2001</u>, a copy of which is attached, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents:

Fully executed Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney for the above-referenced patent application.

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		a small entity, verified statement is:						
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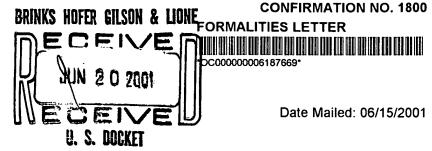
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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$576.
 - **\$576** for **32** total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1416.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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	Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.											
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	Petition for amonth extension of time.											
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